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SUBJ: ECEVIT AGAIN CRITICIZES DEMIREL GOVERNMENT'S

"INDECISIVE" FOREIGN POLICY APPROACH

PRIME MINISTER DEMIREL MET WITH OTHER POLITICAL PARTY LEADERS

AUGUST 5 TO BRIEF THEM ON FOREIGN POLICY DEVELOPMENTS.

REPUBLICAN PEOPLE'S PARTY (RPP) CHAIRMAN ECEVIT ISSUED THE

FOLLOWING STATEMENT AUGUST 6 CRITICIZING WHAT HE TERMED

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DEMIREL'S "INDECISIVE" APPROACH (EMBASSY TRANSLATION OF RPP

RELEASE);

BEGIN TEXT:

THE HONORABLE PRIME MINISTER DID NOT GIVE US ANY
NEW INFORMATION YESTERDAY. THE LIGHT OF HOPE HE GAVE US
UPON HIS RETURN FROM HELSINKI IS NOW EXTINGUISHED FOLLOWING
THE ANSWERS HE GAVE US OR COULD NOT GIVE.

IT IS UNDERSTOOD THAT THE APPARENT ATTITUDE OF DETERMINATION
ON THE SUBJECT OF COMMON DEFENSE INSTALLATIONS IS DECEPTIVE.
WE COULD NOT LEARN WHICH OF HOW MANY INSTALLATIONS ARE IN
OPERATION, TO WHAT EXTENT OR WHY, WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO THE
INOPERATIVE ONES, OR WHY THE AMERICAN PERSONNEL REMAIN IN
PLACE. THE PRIME MINISTER DOES NOT THINK THAT ANYTHING CAN
BE DONE BEYOND WAITING FOR THE LIFTING OF THE EMBARGO. THE
DEFENSE QUESTION OF TURKEY HAS BEEN PLACED IN SUSPENSE. THE
FOREIGN AND DEFENSE POLICY OF TURKEY IS DRIFTING ALONG IN
SITUATIONS AND CURRENTS OUTSIDE THE AUTHORITY OF THE GOVERNMENT.
THE GOVERNMENT IS INERT ON THE SUBJECT OF CYPRUS, HELPLESS IN
VIEW OF THE LONELINESS OF TURKEY, AND IN AN INDECISIVE WAITING
PERIOD WHILE THE DEFENSE QUESTION BECOMES MORE
SERIOUS.

IT IS POSSIBLE TO REMAIN INERT IN CYPRUS AND ALSO TO
EXPEDITE THE SOLUTION BY TAKING CERTAIN STEPS. HOWEVER, IN
THIS STAGE AT WHICH WE HAVE ARRIVED, THE FOREIGN AND DEFENSE
POLICY THAT EACH OF THESE APPROACHES REQUIRES IS DIFFERENT.
THE GOVERNMENT IS NOT EVEN AWARE THAT IT IS AT A POINT OF
CHOOSING AMONG POLICIES.

IN THE MEETING YESTERDAY, THE PRIME MINISTER PUT FORWARD
THE SERIOUS PROBLEMS TURKEY IS FACED WITH ACCORDING TO HIS
OWN UNDERSTANDING, BUT DID NOT INDICATE ANY SOLUTION FOR THEM.
WHAT IS EVEN WORSE IS THAT HE THINKS THAT NONE OF THEM HAS A
SOLUTION. END TEXT.
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